

MEETING

HENDON AREA COMMITTEE

DATE AND TIME

WEDNESDAY 27TH OCTOBER, 2021

AT 7.00 PM

VENUE

HENDON TOWN HALL, THE BURROUGHS, LONDON NW4 4BG

Dear Councillors,

Please find enclosed additional papers relating to the following items for the above mentioned meeting which were not available at the time of collation of the agenda.

Item No	Title of Report	Pages
6.	MATTERS REFERRED FROM THE HENDON AREA RESIDENTS FORUM (IF ANY)	3 - 6

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Hendon Area Committee

27 October 2021



Title	Referrals from Hendon Residents' Forum
Report of	Head of Governance
Wards	Hendon
Status	Public
Enclosures	None
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Summary

At the meeting of the Hendon Residents' Forum, 15 June 2021, the issue highlighted in Section 1, were referred to the Hendon Area Committee for consideration.

Officers Recommendations

1. That the Committee considers the issue referred by the Hendon Residents' Forum and agrees to;
 - a) Take no action, OR
 - b) Refer the matter to a chief officer to provide a written respond to Lead Petitioner within 20 working days; OR
 - c) Instruct an officer to prepare a report for a future meeting of the Committee on the issue(s) raised with a recommended course of action.

1. WHY THIS REPORT IS NEEDED

- 1.1. The Council's Constitution permits the referral of issues and petitions to Area Committees. The Committee are asked to note the officer responses provided to the petitioner at the forum.

Issue: A41 Hendon Central Junctions

Lead Speaker: Mr Levy

Ward: Hendon

The Resident was present at the meeting and provided historical information on improvements to be made to the area between Station Road to Watford Way. Initial proposals that were taken to the Area Committee and TFL's response meant that there was no funding stream available to make further suggested improvements.

Mr Levy said that along with Hendon Central Junctions, improvements were needed to the U-turn near the war memorial. Officers advised that funding for the road safety and traffic issues would come out of a separate budget.

RESOLVED – That the issue be referred to the Hendon Area Committee in October for consideration.

Background Information

TfL's modelling at this junction did not consider the impact of U-turning traffic diverting despite the petitioner identifying through discussion with TFL that it was previously a popular movement and TfL's apparent limited consideration of this. TFL's response at that time was that the numbers of vehicles diverting will have been relatively small in the context of the traffic volumes on adjacent roads, and drivers will make a variety of choices regarding alternative routes.

Consequently, the overall impact due to this in terms of increased volumes of traffic using any particular route was not expected to be great and they confirmed that whilst the changes they introduced included improvements to the pedestrian facilities at the junction, it may have involved some compromises to achieve this without causing major impacts on junction operation and the wider network, In view of this, and the lead petitioner's enquiries to TFL, officers asked if TfL have plans to make their own changes, to ensure that these would not conflict with developing the Area Committee scheme or make the Area Committee scheme redundant.

Jamie Cooke (Assistant Director, Transport and Highways) at that time confirmed during that meeting that although the issue related to signals and roads under Transport for London (TfL)'s control, there are link officers at TfL which the Council regularly engage with and this concern would be raised with them and the response reported back to Mr Levy.

TFL's Response

"We have had several enquiries at this location, however, there is no remedial scheme nor budget to change this junction.

This junction has been in constant review since the scheme was implemented. It operates using SCOOT in order to dynamically adjust green time using traffic demand information on street.

Being such a busy location, the green time needs to balance the needs of all approaches especially the A41 without impeding the side roads and causing delays to pedestrians.

It is also worth noting that schemes that only propose to improve traffic flows are not usually supported by the Mayors Transport Strategy, which would make it very difficult to obtain funding from our Healthy Streets budget"

2. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 At the above noted meeting of the Hendon Residents' Forum the issue highlighted in Section 1 was referred to this Committee for consideration, as permitted by the Council's Constitution under Article 3 - Residents and Public Participation.

3. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND NOT RECOMMENDED

3.1 None in the context of this report.

4. POST DECISION IMPLEMENTATION

4.1 Post decision implementation depends on the decision taken by the Committee.

5. IMPLICATIONS OF DECISION

5.1 Corporate Priorities and Performance

5.1.1 N/A.

5.2 Resources (Finance & Value for Money, Procurement, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

5.2.1 None in the context of this report.

5.3 Social Value

5.3.1 Not applicable in the context of this report.

5.4 Legal and Constitutional References

5.4.1 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, Article 3 Residents and Public Participation states that where the petition relates to the functions and responsibilities of an Area

Committee it will be reported to the relevant Area Committee. The Lead Petitioner will be given five minutes to present the petition to the committee.

Following the presentation, the Chairman and Committee Members will have an opportunity to ask the Lead Speaker questions. After the debate the Committee will decide to:

- Take no action
- Refer the matter to a chief officer to provide a written respond to Lead Petitioner within 20 working days; or
- Instruct an officer to prepare a report for a future meeting of the Committee on the issue(s) raised with a recommended course of action

5.5 Risk Management

5.5.1 None in the context of this report.

5.6 Equalities and Diversity

5.6.1 None in the context of this report.

5.7 Corporate Parenting

5.7.1 None identified in the context of this report, any potential implications will be detailed within substantive reports.

5.8 Consultation and Engagement

5.8.1 None in the context of this report.

5.8 Insight

5.8.1 None in the context of this report.

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.